

REVISED Meeting Agenda MARCH 1, 2013

Moses Lake Civic Center 401 S Balsam Moses Lake, Washington 98837

FRIDAY, MARCH 1, 2013

8:00 AM 1. Call to Order

15 min

- a. Commissioners' Discussion
- b. Meeting Minute Approval

8:15 AM 2. Open Public Input

30 min

The Commission is a direct link between the citizens of Washington and the Department of Fish and Wildlife. Comments on Department programs and topics of concern are welcome during this portion of the meeting. **NOTE**: During this portion of the meeting, the public is encouraged to

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8:45 AM 3. <u>Director's Report</u>

60 min

The Director will brief the Commission on various items including:

- Legislation
- Teanaway

9:45 AM Break

15 min

10:00 AM 4. 2013 – 2014 Sportfishing Rule Proposals – Decision

90 min

Department staff will request approval from the Commission on the upcoming Sportfishing rules and regulations for the 2013-14 season.

WAC 220-55-220 Two-pole endorsement

WAC 220-56-235 Possession limits-Bottomfish

WAC 220-56-240 Daily limits forage fish and other food fish not otherwise provided for

WAC 220-56-250 Lingcod-Areas and seasons

WAC 220-56-310 Shellfish-Daily limits

WAC 220-56-265 Forage fish-Lawful gear

WAC 220-56-282 Sturgeon-Areas, seasons, limits and unlawful acts

WAC 232-28-619 Washington food fish and game fish-Freshwater exceptions to statewide rules

Staff Report: Craig Burley, Fish Management Division Manager, Fish Program

30 min

The Commission will consider approval of various land transactions recommended by the Department for the protection of critical fish and wildlife habitat, enhancement of public recreation opportunities, and responsible property management.

- Proposed easements on four properties along Issaquah Creek in King County
- Proposed acquisition of 1613.78 acres in Asotin County
- Proposed acquisition of 195.01 acres in Pacific County

Staff Report: Dan Budd, Real Estate Section Manager, Wildlife Program

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12:00 PM Lunch Break

60 min

1:00 PM 6. I-90 Wildlife Crossing Project - Briefing

45 min

Department staff will brief the Commission on the I-90 Wildlife Crossing Project.

Staff Report: William Meyer, Fish & Wildlife Biologist, Habitat Program and Jason Smith, Department of Transportation

1:45 PM 7. Spring Bear Seasons and Regulations – Briefing and Public Hearing

20 min

Department staff will brief the Commission on spring bear seasons and regulations. The Commission will consider final adoption at its April 12-13, 2013 meeting.

Amend:

WAC 232-28-286 2013, 2014, and 2015 Spring black bear seasons and regulations

Staff Report: Donny Martorello, Ph.D., Large Carnivore Section Manager, Wildlife Program

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2:05 PM 8. Small Game Seasons and Regulations – Briefing and Public Hearing

15 min

Department staff will brief the Commission on small game seasons and regulations. The Commission will consider final adoption at its April 12-13, 2013 meeting.

Amend:

WAC 232-28-342 2012-13, 2013-14, 2014-15 Small game and other wildlife seasons and regulations

Staff Report: Brian Calkins, Upland Bird and Furbearer Section Manager, Wildlife Program

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25 min

2:20 PM 9. Moose, Bighorn Sheep, and Mountain Goat Seasons and Permit Quotas — Briefing and Public Hearing

Department staff will brief the Commission on moose, bighorn sheep, and mountain goat seasons and regulations. The Commission will consider final adoption at its April 12-13, 2013 meeting.

Amend:

WAC 232-28-273 2012-2014 Moose seasons, permit guotas, and areas.

Adopt:

WAC 232-28-622 2013-2014 Big horn sheep seasons and permit quotas WAC 232-28-623 2013-2014 Mountain goat seasons and permit quotas

Staff Report: Rich Harris, Ph.D., Special Species Section Manager, Wildlife Program

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2:45 PM 10. <u>Deer and Elk Areas and GMU Boundaries – Briefing and Public Hearing</u>

15 min

Department staff will brief the Commission on deer and elk areas and GMU boundary regulations. The Commission will consider final adoption at its April 12-13, 2013 meeting.

Amend:

WAC 232-28-334 Game management units (GMUs) boundary descriptions - Region four WAC 232-28-336 Game management units (GMUs) boundary descriptions - Region six WAC 232-28-337 Elk areas descriptions

WAC 232-28-248 Special closures and firearm restriction areas

Adopt:

WAC 232-28-624 Deer area descriptions

Staff Report: Jerry Nelson, Ph.D., Deer and Elk Section Manager, Wildlife Program

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3:00 PM 11. <u>Deer General and Special Permit Seasons and Regulations – Briefing and Public Hearing</u>

35 min

Department staff will brief the Commission on deer general and special permit seasons and regulations. The Commission will consider final adoption at its April 12-13, 2013 meeting.

Amend:

WAC 232-28-357 2012-2014 Deer general seasons and definitions WAC 232-28-359 2013 Deer special permits

Staff Report: Jerry Nelson, Ph.D., Deer and Elk Section Manager, Wildlife Program

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3:35 PM Break 15 min

3:50 PM 12. Elk General and Special Permit Seasons and Regulations – Briefing and Public Hearing

40 min

Department staff will brief the Commission on elk general and special permit seasons and regulations. The Commission will consider final adoption at its April 12-13, 2013 meeting.

Amend:

WAC 232-28-358 2012-2014 Elk general seasons and definitions WAC 232-28-360 2013 Elk special permits

Staff Report: Jerry Nelson, Ph.D., Deer and Elk Section Manager, Wildlife Program

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4:30 PM 13. <u>Importation and Retention of Dead Nonresident Wildlife – Briefing</u> and Public Hearing

15 min

Department staff will brief the Commission on the importation and retention of dead nonresident wildlife regulations. The Commission will consider final adoption at its April 12-13, 2013 meeting.

Amend:

WAC 232-12-021 Importation and retention of dead nonresident wildlife

Staff Report: Jerry Nelson, Ph.D., Deer and Elk Section Manager, Wildlife Program

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4:45 PM 14. <u>Landowner Hunting Permits – Briefing and Public Hearing</u>

15 min

Department staff will brief the Commission on landowner hunting permits. The Commission will consider final adoption at its April 12-13, 2013 meeting.

Amend:

WAC232-28-296 Landowner hunting permits

Staff Report: Dave Ware, Game Division Manager, Wildlife Program

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5:00 PM 15. <u>Lighted Nocks for Archery Equipment – Briefing and Public Hearing</u>

45 min

Department staff will brief the Commission on regulations regarding lighted nocks for archery equipment. The Commission will consider final adoption at its April 12-13, 2013 meeting.

Amend:

WAC 232-12-054 Archery requirements—Archery special use permits

Staff Report: Dave Ware, Game Division Manager, Wildlife Program

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5:45 PM 16. Miscellaneous and Meeting Debrief

The Commission will discuss items that arise immediately before or during the meeting and after the preliminary agenda is published.

6:00 PM Adjourn

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